MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*):

(*a*) Yes.

(*b*) The Chief Engineer inspected the Tondankulangara-Munro Light road. Area list and land plan have been prepared and the interested ryots have been asked to deposit the cost for acquisition of lands of unwilling landowners. The proposal to construct the road on the eastern side of the Alleppey-Shertala canal to Kommady has been abandoned for the present.

MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): May I know from the member whether there is *poramboke* land available?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): I would inform the member that the road to which he refers is not wide enough. When the necessary lands for widening the road are handed over then the question can be taken up.

MR. EDAVANATT S. PADMANABHA MENON (*Shertala I*): May I know from the member whether he is aware that if a slight diversion is made there will be no necessity to acquire any site as there are *poramboke* lands?

MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer*): It is not a question of slight diversion of the road. At the beginning, there are two right angled roads and for straightening them we want more lands.

Appointments made by the Police Commissioner.

54. ✻**MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the number of appointments made by the present Commissioner of Police in Travancore;

(*b*) how many appointments were distributed amongst each of the communities in the State and

(*c*) the number of applicants from each of the communities?

RAO BAHADUR N. RAMANUJA AIYANGAR (*Commissioner of Police*):

(*a*) 55.

(*b*) & (*c*).

	Number appointed.	Number of applicants.
Brahmins	1	41
Nayars	23	262
Ezhavas	5	72
Nadars	2	35
Vellalas	1	19
Other Hindus	4	290
Do. (depressed classes)	2	86
Mahomedans	7	43
Christians	10	190

Appointments in the Police Department.

55. ✻**MR. K. M. KRISHNAN** (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) the strength of the Police Force in Travancore: and

(*b*) the number of appointments held by each of the communities in the State?

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